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ITEMIZATION AND SUBMISSION OF DEFICIENCY PAYMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a deficiency payment for the above-referenced application, itemized as follows:

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In connection with this particular patent application, the circumstances are such that the Assignee is uncertain whether it continues to be entitled to small entity status under 37 C.F.R.

IN RE: APPLICATION S.N. 10/027,668 ITEMIZATION AND SUBMISSION OF DEFICIENCY PAYMENT

§ 1.27, the Assignee having been certain of its small entity status in connection with this application until at least May, 1999. In view of Assignee's uncertainty in this regard, and in an abundance of caution, the Assignee hereby withdraws its designation of small entity status for this particular patent application and, accordingly submits this deficiency payment.

Nothing in this submission shall be construed as an assertion or admission of waiver or loss of small entity status as to any other application presently assigned to the Assignee or to be assigned to Assignee in the future.

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